

## Senate Resolution 577

By: Senator Mullis of the 53rd

## A RESOLUTION

1 Commending the City of Chickamauga for its efforts to promote tourism in Georgia; and for  
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, tourism is Georgia's second largest industry and supports 209,500 jobs while  
4 contributing \$1.14 billion in state and local tax revenue each year for a savings of over  
5 \$380.00 in state and local taxes to each Georgia household; and

6 WHEREAS, poised in the rolling hills of North Georgia, the City of Chickamauga features  
7 a beautiful and historic downtown and hosts a wide variety of tourist destinations, many of  
8 which feature the community's deep ties to Cherokee heritage and the city's historic role in  
9 the War between the States; and

10 WHEREAS, Chickamauga boasts the first and largest national park in the country, the  
11 Chickamauga-Chattanooga National Military Park, site of the "Gettysburg of the South," the  
12 majestic Gordon Lee Mansion, and the picturesque Crawfish Spring and Lee and Gordon's  
13 Mill as well as several annual events that highlight the community's unique past; and

14 WHEREAS, the City of Chickamauga takes great pride and care in these treasured sites and  
15 has generously invested its resources to promote tourism in Georgia; and

16 WHEREAS, the City of Chickamauga and especially Mayor Ray Crowder; councilmembers  
17 Randal Dalton, Daymon Garrett, Nancy Holsonback, William Askew, Robert Robertson,  
18 and Juanita Crowder; City Manager John Culpepper; and Chief of Police W. Jerry Parrish  
19 stand as a shining example of the important impact that each community can have on the  
20 vitality of our state's tourism industry.

21 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body  
22 join in commending the City of Chickamauga, home of some of the state's most interesting,  
23 historic, and picturesque sites, for its many outstanding contributions to tourism in Georgia.

- 1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 2 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Mayor, City Council, City Manager,
- 3 and Chief of Police of Chickamauga, Georgia.